the money deposited as security shall be forfeited to Government in whole or in part as the Conservator of Forests may decide and the lease liable to be cancelled.

5. The sale does not prohibit the issue of retail licenses at seigniorage rates or the exercise of the rights of the villagers.

Notification dated 14th October 1925.

It is hereby notified for general information that the right of collecting and removing the canes in the Forests of Koppa and Mudgere Ranges, subject to the exercise of rights of the villagers, will be resold by the District Forest Officer or the Range Officers concerned on the dates specified hereunder :—

Range	Place of sale	Date of sale	Remarks
Koppa ... Mudgere ...	Mudgere Range Forest Office.	12th Nov. 1925 ...	Range Officer, Mudgere and Koppa.

1. The collection period shall extend till the end of June 1926.

2. The successful bidder shall immediately after the sale, pay one-fourth of the sale amount together with Local Cess at one anna per rupee, and Railway Cess at six pies in the rupee on the entire amount of sale. In default the right will be resold at his risk. If the deficit amount is not paid, it will be recovered as arrears of land revenue.

3. Within fifteen days of the information of the confirmation of the sale, the accepted bidder shall pay the balance of lease amount in full and enter into an agreement on a duly stamped paper binding himself to the conditions specified hereunder :—

4. The sale is subject to the confirmation by the District Forest Officer or the Conservator of Forests as the case may be.

5. The lessee shall deposit a sum of Rs. 50 for the fulfilment of the conditions of the contract in the shape of Government Savings Bank Deposit.

Conditions.

(1) Canes should be extracted without injuring the roots of the clump. Tender canes should under no circumstances be extracted.

(2) At least three shoots in a clump should be left to foster the growth of the cane.

(3) The purchaser, his agents or servants shall not injure any trees or other forest produce in the way of collecting canes.

(4) The purchaser shall be held responsible for the acts of his agents or servants in the business of collection.

(5) The purchaser shall not sub-let the contract without permission from the District Forest Officer.

(6) Coolies employed by the purchaser must take permits from the Range Officer when they enter the State Forest or reserved lands for the collection of the produce.

(7) The produce should be removed from the limits of the taluk before the 30th June 1926.

(8) The purchaser shall be held personally responsible for the occurrence of any fires in the State Forest, if there is sufficient ground for the department to learn that it has been caused by his negligence or by the act of his employees.

In the event of the breach of any of the conditions specified above, the sale is liable to be cancelled, all the produce collected shall be confiscated and a fine not exceeding Rs. 25 in each case, shall be imposed by the District Forest Officer.

P. WOOTHIAH,
District Forest Officer.

TUMKUR DISTRICT.

Notification dated 10th October 1925.

Notice is hereby given that sealed tenders will be received at the office of the District Forest Officer, Tumkur District, up to 2 P.M. on the 5th November 1925, for the exclusive right of collecting Tupre Leaves on all Government unoccupied lands, State Forests, Amrut Mahal Kavals Plantations up to end of June 1926 in the following taluks of the district :—

Taluks	Remarks
1. Tiptur.	(a) Government have reserved their power of issuing individual licenses for *bona fide* local consumers.
2. Chiknayakanhalli.	
3. Turuvekere Sub-Taluk.	(b) Excludes the produce of Inam, Jodi, Kayamgutta, Sarvamanya and other lands which are in the occupancy of private individuals as well as Village Forests.

1. Tenders of defaulters on account of previous leases will be rejected.

The tender may be for each taluk or a group of taluks.

2. Each tender must be accompanied by a certificate from the Amildar of the taluk in which he resides, vouching for his solvency and also a sum of Rs. 20 as earnest money. Covers containing the tender should be addressed to the District Forest Officer, Tumkur District, and should be duly registered, insured and superscribed "Tender for the lease of Tupre Leaves."

3. The name and address of the tenderer should be clearly and fully given.

4. Tenders will be opened by the District Forest Officer at 2 P.M., on the 24th October 1925 in the presence of such of the tenderers as may be present.

5. The exclusive right of collecting and removing the produce above described will be disposed off to the highest tenderer subject to the confirmation of the Conservator of Forests or the District Forest Officer as the case may be, who, at his discretion, may accept or reject the highest or any other tender without assigning any reason therefor.

6. The successful tenderer shall, immediately after the acceptance of his tender is communicated to him, credit into the Government Treasury the entire sale amount including the deposit already made, together with local cess at one anna per rupee, education cess at six pies per rupee and railway cess at three pies in the rupee. In default, the deposit will be forfeited and the right re-sold. Such re-sale will be at the risk of the defaulting tenderer, who will be liable to make good any loss that may result to Government by it, but will not participate in any profit accruing therefrom.

N.B.—If the deficit be not paid, it will be recovered as a revenue demand.

7. If the sale is not confirmed by the authority concerned the deposit amount paid will be refunded to the party.

8. The accepted tenderer shall execute an agreement within fifteen days of the intimation of the confirmation of the sale, binding himself to observe the conditions hereunder mentioned. In default, the acceptance of the tender will be revoked, the money already paid forfeited and the right resold.

Further conditions to be entered in the agreement are:—

(*a*) The lessee shall hold himself responsible for the cutting or injuring any trees on the plea of collecting the produce. The lessee shall be held personally responsible for the acts of his agents or servants.

(*b*) The lessee shall furnish a list of sub-contractors, agents or servants who may be appointed by him for the collection of the produce.

(*c*) The lessee shall work out the lease himself and not transfer or sub-let it to others without the previous sanction of the District Forest Officer or the Conservator of Forests.

(*d*) The coolies employed by the lessee must take permission from the Range Officer before they enter State Forests.

(*e*) The lessee shall keep and render accounts every month to the District Forest Officer, of the produce collected and removed by him or his agents during the month. His accounts will be liable for the inspection of the Conservator of Forests or the District Forest Officer or by any other officer deputed by either of them.

The lessee shall be considered a wholesale dealer for the collection and export of leaves and shall not interfere with licenses issued by the Department for small quantities of leaves for *bona fide* local *bedi* manufacturers. *Vide* Government Order No. I. C. 1059-58—Ft. 26-23-6, dated 31st August 1923.

(*f*) The lessee, his agents or servants shall render all possible help in preventing the occurrence of fire in Forests in which he or they may be working and render prompt assistance in extinguishing such fires as may break out accidentally.

(*g*) The lessee shall remove out of the limits of the contract area all produce collected and sold under the terms of the lease before the close of the official year (1925-26).

(*h*) Neither the lessee nor his agents or servants shall enter the State Forests either before sunrise or after sunset.

9. In the event of the breach of any of the above conditions, the lease will be liable to be cancelled and the lessee fined to the extent of Rs. 100 which will be recovered as an arrear of revenue demand.

B. NARASIMHAIENGAR,
District Forest Officer.